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January 17, 2018

VIA E-MAIL

Mr. Thomas Poy, Chief
Ground Water and Drinking Water Branch
United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region 5
77 West Jackson Boulevard (WG-15J)
Chicago, Illinois 60604-3590

Dear Mr. Poy:

Thank you for your November 17, 2017, letter to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), Drinking Water and Municipal Assistance Division (DWMAD), requesting updates on selected noncompliant drinking water systems in Michigan. The spreadsheet you provided identified six Community Water Systems (CWSs) and 54 Noncommunity Water Systems (NCWSs) for us to comment on.

Of the six CWSs:

- Four water systems have returned to compliance
- Two have erroneous data recorded, and the systems are in compliance

Of the 54 NCWSs:

- Nine water systems have returned to compliance
- 39 are still out of compliance – they are being given high priority for receiving guidance or escalated enforcement by the local health department (LHD), in cooperation with the MDEQ
- One has erroneous data recorded, and the system is in compliance

Updates and corrections on all 60 water systems will be provided in our quarterly Safe Drinking Water Information System update, due in February 2018.

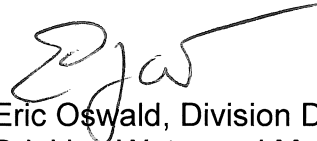
In your letter, you also identified three CWSs and 12 NCWSs that the MDEQ should consider referring to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) for escalated enforcement. At this time, we conclude there are not any good candidates for referral for reasons specified, case-by-case, in the enclosed modification of your spreadsheet. Each of the three CWS referral candidates suggested by you has returned to compliance.

Regarding lead Action Level Exceedances (ALEs), status updates were provided in the spreadsheet as requested (attached).

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If you have further questions, please contact Mr. Dan Dettweiler, Supervisor, Noncommunity Water Supplies Unit, Environmental Health Section, DWMAD, by telephone at 517-284-6525; email at dettweilerd@michigan.gov; or by mail at MDEQ, P.O. Box 30817, Lansing, Michigan 48909-8311.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'E. Oswald', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Eric Oswald, Division Director
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517-284-6544

Attachment

cc: Mr. Thomas Murphy, USEPA
Ms. Dana DeBruyn, MDEQ
Ms. Amy Lachance, MDEQ
Mr. Dan Dettweiler, MDEQ
Ms. Kris Philip, MDEQ
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